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MONTANA SENATE 58th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

CONFERENCE COMMITTEE ON SENATE AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL 363

Call to Order: By CHAIRMAN GREGORY D. BARKUS, on April 25, 2003 at 3:10 A.M., in Room 405 Capitol.

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Sen. Gregory D. Barkus, Chairman (R)

Rep. Roy Brown, Chairman (R)

Sen. Vicki Cocchiarella (D)

Rep. Kim Gillan (D)

Rep. Scott Sales (R)

Sen. Fred Thomas (R)

Members Excused: None.

Members Absent: None.

Staff Present: Shirley Herrin, Committee Secretary

John Moe, Legislative Staff

Video-taped Committee: These minutes are in outline form only. They provide a list of participants and a record of official action taken by the committee. A video-taped recording of the meeting is available from the Montana Historical Society.

Committee Business Summary:

Executive Action: HB 363

CONFERENCE COMMITTEE ON HB 363

SEN. FRED THOMAS presented amendments HB036308.agp
EXHIBIT (ccs88hb0363a01). He moved them for the purpose of discussion. SEN. THOMAS explained "The design of these amendments are to remove the Senate Floor amendments to HB 363, which in those amendments, it had \$30M in additional monies. In addition to it, this amendment is then designed to allow any excess in the Old Workers Comp Fund in FY 06 and 07 to flow to

the General Fund. That would be if there is excess or surplus monies in the Old Fund determined actuarially."

Discussion:

- 3:13 Begin
 3:20 Nancy Butler, MT State Fund, responded to questions from SEN. VICKI COCCHIARELLA.
- 3:38 **CHAIRMAN BARKUS** asked John Moe to review the conceptual amendments that had been proposed during the discussion.
- John Moe reviewed the changes in the amendments that had been proposed as follows:
 - No. 4 Delete
 No. 5 Delete
 - No. 7 Address the 2003 issue
 - No. 8 Delete
- 3:39 <u>Vote</u>: Motion that conceptual amendments to HB 363 DO PASS with the caveat that John Moe be allowed to work anything out that might be technical in nature, to what is being changed in the amendment. CHAIRMAN BARKUS stated without objection from the committee. The motion carried unanimously on Roll Call Vote No 1.
- 3:40 <u>Motion/Vote:</u> SEN. THOMAS moved the Conference Committee Report adopt the amendments that they had just passed with the caveat of John Moe carried unanimously on a voice vote.

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ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 3:41 A.M.

SEN. GREGORY D. BARKUS, Chairman

SHIRLEY HERRIN, Secretary

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